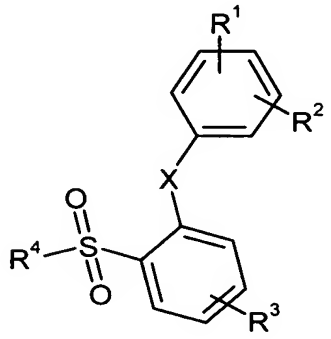
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

(1) (Original) A benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula (I), its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a salt thereof:



(I)

wherein

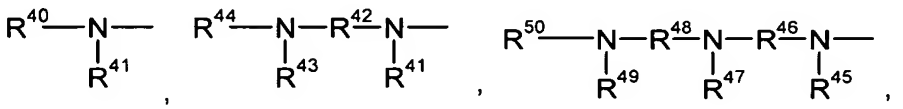
X represents O or S;

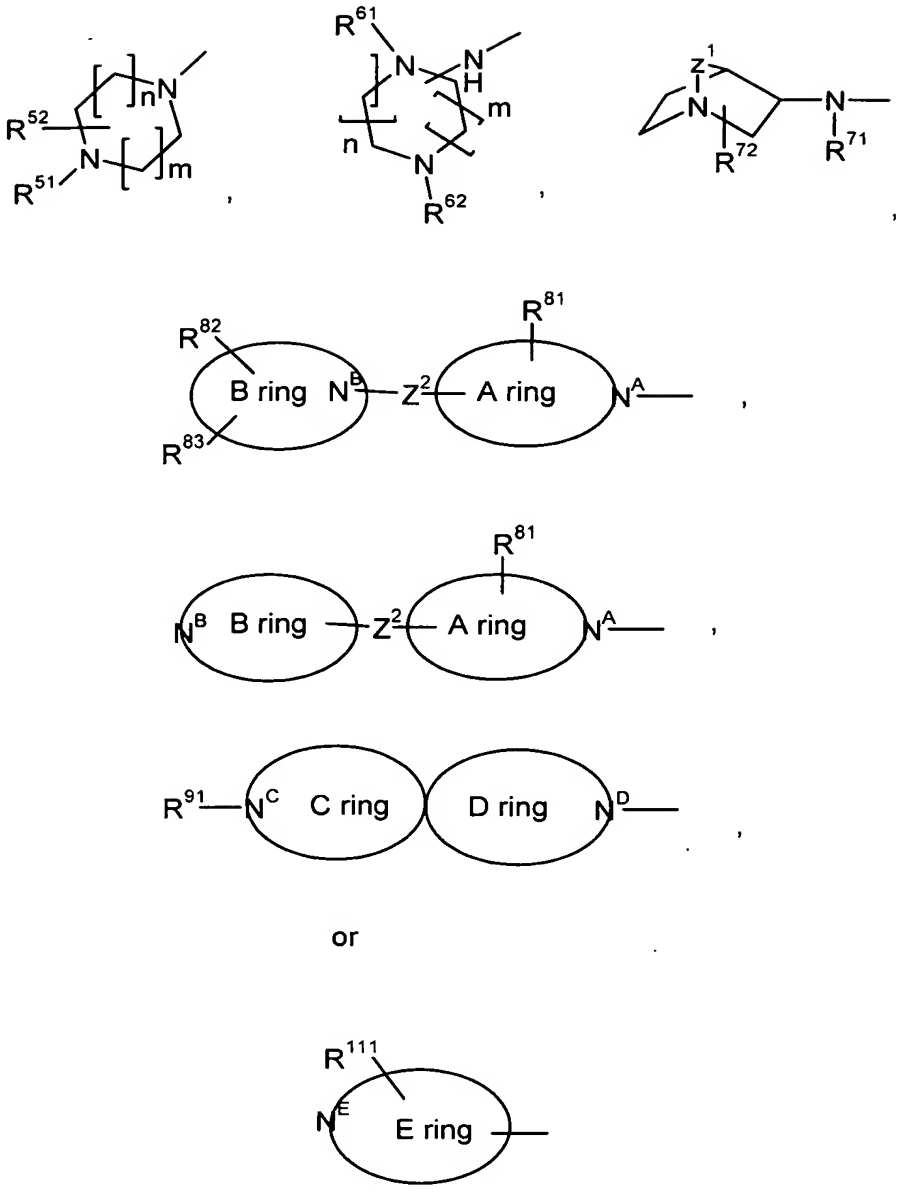
R^1 represents hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, phenyl, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, or C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen;

R^2 represents hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, phenyl, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen or C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen;

R^3 represents hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, nitro, cyano, amino, carboxy, tetrazolyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, C_{1-6} alkanoylamino, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen or hydroxy;

R^4 represents





or

wherein

R^{40} represents C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo, 7-oxa-bicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-yl optionally having 1 or 2 substituents selected from the group consisting of amino, (C_{1-6} alkyl)amino and di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring containing 1 or 2 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N and O and optionally having from 1 to 3 substituents

selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, oxo and C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{41} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl or a C_{5-8} cycloalkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy,

or

R^{40} and R^{41} may form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring optionally interrupted by O;

R^{42} represents C_{1-6} alkylene optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy, or a C_{5-8} cycloalkyl substituted by at least one hydroxy and moreover optionally 1 or 2 substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, oxo and C_{1-6} alkyl,

or

R^{41} and R^{42} may form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring optionally interrupted by NH or O, wherein said 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring is substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

with the proviso that when R^{41} is hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, R^{42} is hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkylene or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkylene;

R^{43} represents hydrogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy;

R^{44} represents hydrogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy;

with the proviso that when R^{41} and R^{42} form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring substituted by mono- or di- oxo, R^{44} represents hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{45}, R^{47}, R^{49} and R^{50} independently represent hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{46} and R^{48} independently represent C_{1-6} alkylene optionally substituted hydroxy or carboxy;

n represents an integer selected from 1 to 3;

m represents an integer selected from 0 to 3;

R^{51} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, or a 3 to 8 membered saturated ring optionally interrupted by NH or O;

R^{52} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by carboxy, amino, (C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkanoyl)amino, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, tetrazolyl, triazolyl, indolinyl, isoindolinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, pyrrolidinyl optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo, or piperidinyl optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo,

with the proviso that when R^{51} and R^{52} are hydrogen at the same time, R^3 is tetrazolyl or C_{1-6} alkanoyl, or when R^{51} is hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl, R^{52} is other than hydrogen;

R^{61} and R^{62} independently represent hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, phenyl or mono-, di- or tri halogen;

R^{71} represents hydrogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, hydroxy, carboxy, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

R^{72} represents hydrogen, carboxy, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, amino, (C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino carbonyl, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or mono-, di- or tri- halogen, C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

Z^1 represents $-[CH_2]_p-$, wherein p represents an integer 1 or 2;

R^{81} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

R^{82} represents hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by hydroxy, amino, or carboxy,

R^{83} represents hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by hydroxy, amino, or carboxy,

with the proviso that when R^{81} is hydrogen, R^{82} or R^{83} is other than hydrogen;

Z^2 represents $-[CH_2]_q-$, wherein q represents an integer selected from 0 to 3;

R^{91} represents hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by phenyl;

R^{111} represents hydrogen, carboxy, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, N-(C_{1-6}alkyl) aminocarbonyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, mono-, di- or tri- halogen, amino, (C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkanoyl)amino, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, tetrazolyl, triazolyl, indolinyl, isoindolinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

A ring represents a 3 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, in which the nitrogen atom N^A is the only hetero atom;

B ring represents a 3 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, in which the nitrogen atom N^B is the only hetero atom;

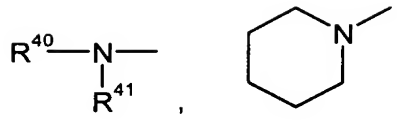
C ring and D ring together form a 7 to 15 membered diazabicyclic ring; and

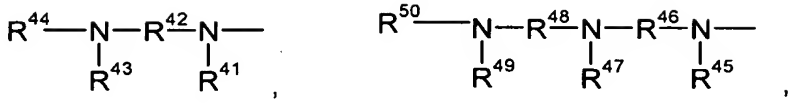
E ring represents a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, in which the nitrogen atom N^E is the only hetero atom.

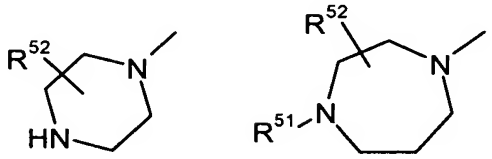
(2) (Original) The benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula (I), its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a salt thereof as claimed in claim 1,

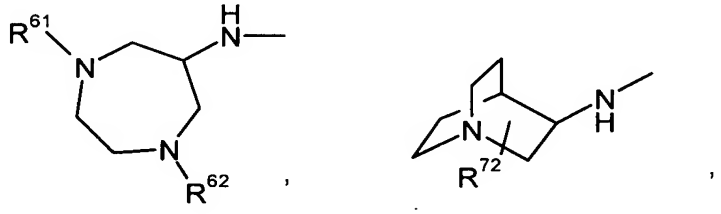
wherein

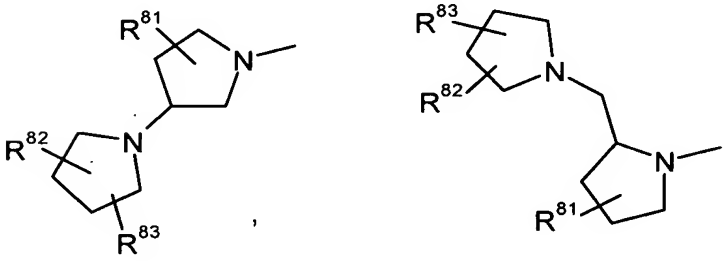
R^4 represents

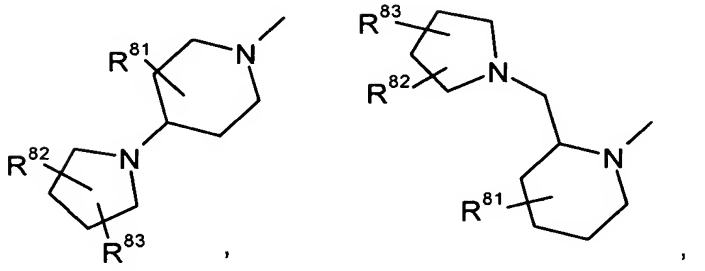


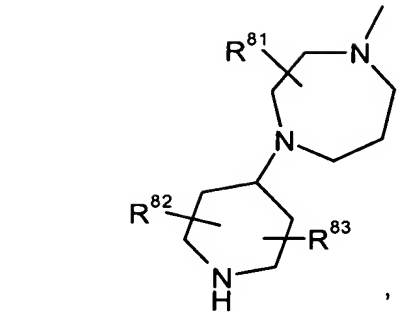


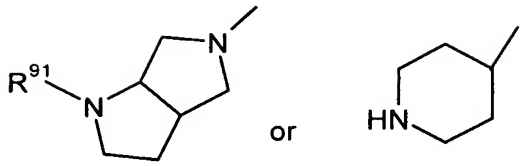












wherein

R^{40} represents C_{1-6} alkyl having substituent selected from the group consisting of 2- oxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-3-yl, 4-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-6-yl, 2,5-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, and 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-3-yl, piperidin-1-yl, -2-yl, -3-yl or -4-yl (wherein said piperidin is optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo), hexahydroazepin-1-yl,-2-yl, -3-yl or -4-yl (wherein said hexahydroazepin is optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo), and 7-oxa-bicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-yl optionally substituted by amino;

R^{41} represents hydrogen, cyclopentyl or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkyl amino, di-(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl,

R^{42} represents C_{1-4} alkylene substituted by carboxy or cyclohexyl substituted by mono or di hydroxy,

R^{41} and R^{42} may form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 or 6 membered saturated heterocyclic ring;

with the proviso that when R^{41} is hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, R^{42} is hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkylene or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkylene;

R^{43} represents hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy,

R^{44} represents C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy,

with the proviso that when R^{41} and R^{42} form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 or 6 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, R^{44} is hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{45}, R^{47}, R^{49} and R^{50} independently represent hydrogen, methyl or ethyl;

R^{46} and R^{48} independently represent C_{1-6} alkylene optionally substituted hydroxy or carboxy;

R^{51} represents hydrogen, cyclopentyl, ethyl or methyl;

R^{52} represents methoxycarbonyl or C_{1-6}alkyl substituted by carboxy, amino, methoxycarbonyl, methanesulfonylamino, acetamido, indolyl, tetrazolyl, 1,2,3-triazolyl, 1,2,4-triazolyl, 1,2,5-triazolyl, 1,3,4-triazolyl, pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-3-yl, 4-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-6-yl, 2,5-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, or 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-3-yl;

R^{61} and R^{62} independently represents benzyl or phenethyl;

R^{72} represents hydrogen, carboxy, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, amino, (C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino carbonyl, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or mono-, di- or tri- halogen, C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

R^{81} represents hydrogen, methoxycarbonyl or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by 2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-3-yl, 4-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-6-yl, 2,5-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, or 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-3-yl;

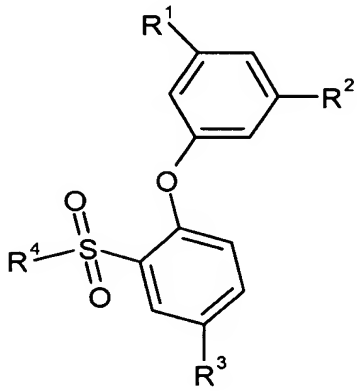
R^{82} represents hydrogen, hydroxy or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by hydroxy;

R^{83} represents hydrogen, hydroxy or carboxy;

with the proviso that when R^{82} and R^{83} are hydrogen at the same time, R^{81} is other than hydrogen, or when R^{81} and R^{83} are hydrogen at the same time, R^{82} is other than hydrogen;

R^{91} represents benzyl or phenethyl.

(3) (Original) A benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula (I-b), its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a salt thereof:



(I-b)

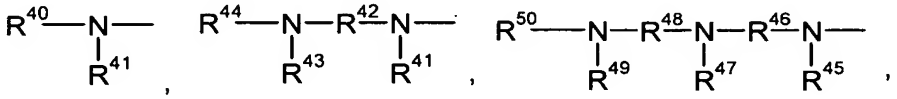
wherein

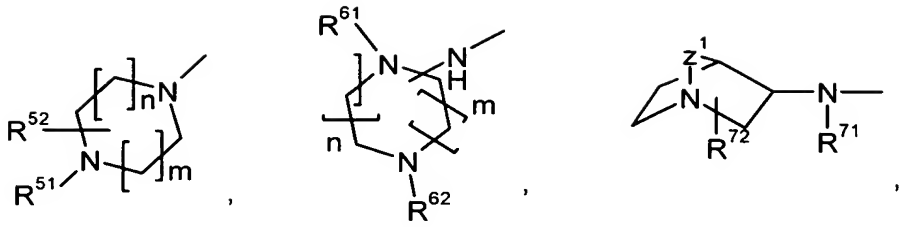
R^1 represents fluoro, chloro, bromo, iodo, or nitro;

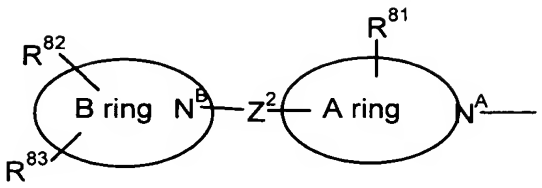
R^2 represents fluoro, chloro, bromo, iodo, or nitro;

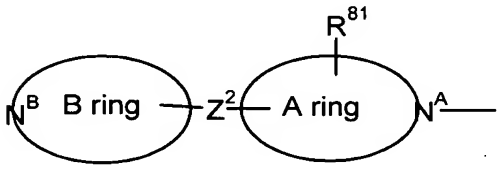
R^3 represents acetyl, cyano, or tetrazolyl;

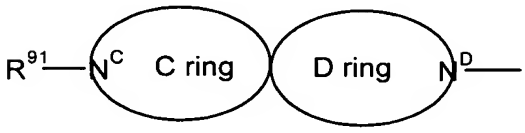
R^4 represents











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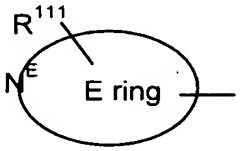

wherein

R^{40} represents C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo, 7-oxa-bicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-yl optionally having 1 or 2 substituents selected from the group consisting of amino, (C_{1-6} alkyl)amino and di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring containing 1 or 2 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N and O and optionally having from 1 to 3 substituents

selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, oxo and C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{41} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl or a C_{5-8} cycloalkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy,

or

R^{40} and R^{41} may form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring optionally interrupted by O;

R^{42} represents C_{1-6} alkylene optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy, or a C_{5-8} cycloalkyl substituted by at least one hydroxy and moreover optionally 1 or 2 substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, amino, oxo and C_{1-6} alkyl,

or

R^{41} and R^{42} may form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring optionally interrupted by NH or O, wherein said 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring is substituted by mono- or di- oxo,

with the proviso that when R^{41} is hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkylamino, or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, R^{42} is hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkylene or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkylene;

R^{43} represents hydrogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy;

R^{44} represents C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy,

with the proviso that when R^{41} and R^{42} form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring substituted by mono- or di- oxo, R^{44} represents hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{45}, R^{47}, R^{49} and R^{50} independently represent hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{46} and R^{48} independently represent C_{1-6} alkylene optionally substituted hydroxy or carboxy;

n represents an integer selected from 1 to 3;

m represents an integer selected from 0 to 3;

R^{51} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, or a 3 to 8 membered saturated ring optionally interrupted by NH or O;

R^{52} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by amino, (C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkanoyl)amino, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, tetrazolyl, triazolyl, indolinyl, isoindolinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, pyrrolidinyl optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo, or piperidinyl optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo,

with the proviso that when R^{51} and R^{52} are hydrogen at the same time, R^3 is tetrazolyl or C_{1-6} alkanoyl, or when R^{51} is hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl, R^{52} is other than hydrogen;

R^{61} and R^{62} independently represent hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, phenyl or mono-, di- or tri halogen;

R^{71} represents hydrogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, hydroxy, carboxy, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

R^{72} represents hydrogen, carboxy, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, amino, (C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino carbonyl, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or mono-, di- or tri- halogen, C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

Z^1 represents $-[CH_2]_p-$, wherein p represents an integer 1 or 2;

R^{81} represents hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by pyrrolidinyl, or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

R^{82} represents hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by hydroxy, amino, or carboxy,

R^{83} represents hydrogen, hydroxy, carboxy, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by hydroxy, amino, or carboxy,

with the proviso that when R^{81} is hydrogen, R^{82} or R^{83} is other than hydrogen;

Z^2 represents $-[CH_2]_q-$,

wherein

q represents an integer selected from 0 to 3;

R^{91} represents hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by phenyl;

R^{111} represents hydrogen, carboxy, C_{1-6} alkoxy carbonyl, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, N-(C_{1-6}alkyl) aminocarbonyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, mono-, di- or tri- halogen, amino, (C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6} alkanoyl)amino, C_{1-6} alkoxycarbonyl, tetrazolyl, triazolyl, indolinyl, isoindolinyl, indolyl, isoindolyl, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

A ring represents a 3 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, in which the nitrogen atom N^A is the only hetero atom;

B ring represents a 3 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, in which the nitrogen atom N^B is the only hetero atom;

C ring and D ring together form a 7 to 12 membered diazabicyclic ring; and

E ring represents a 5 to 8 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, in which the nitrogen atom N^E is the only hetero atom.

(4) (Original) The benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula (I-b), its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a salt

wherein

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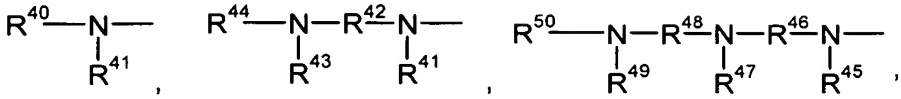
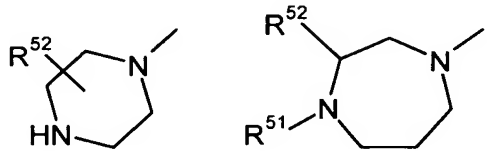
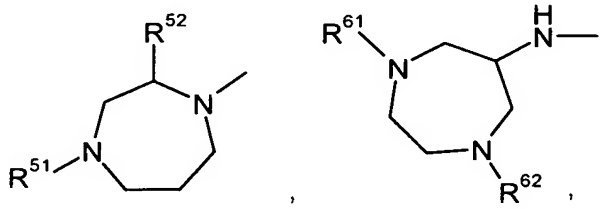
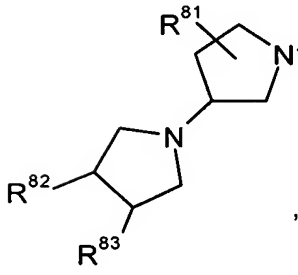
R^3 represents cyano;

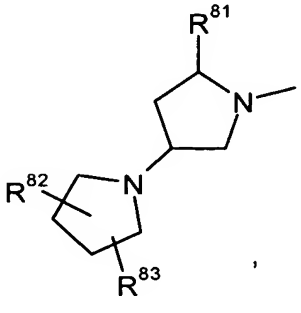
R^4 represents

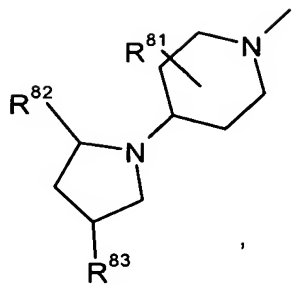
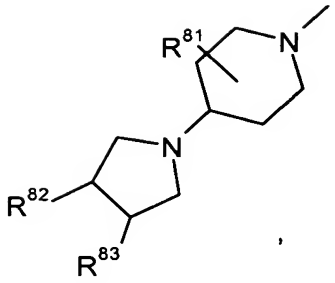
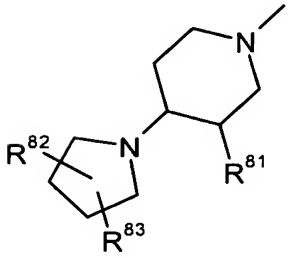
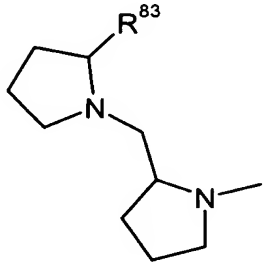
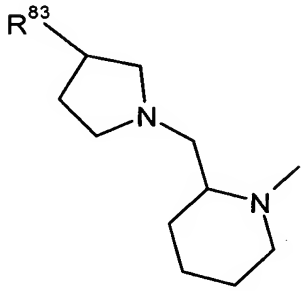
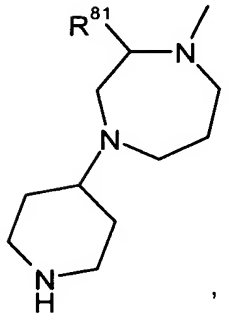
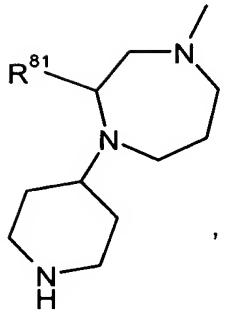


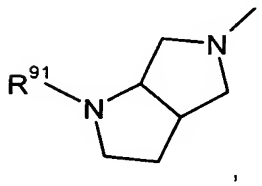






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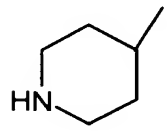

wherein

R^{40} represents C_{1-6} alkyl having substituent selected from the group consisting of 2- oxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-3-yl, 4-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-6-yl, 2,5-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-3-yl, piperidin-1-yl, -2-yl, -3-yl or -4-yl (wherein said piperidin is optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo), hexahydroazepin-1-yl,-2-yl, -3-yl or -4-yl (wherein said hexahydroazepin is optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo), and 7-oxa-bicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-yl optionally substituted by amino;

R^{41} represents hydrogen, cyclopentyl or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by amino, C_{1-6} alkyl amino, di-(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino, or 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl,

R^{42} represents C_{1-4} alkylene substituted by carboxy or cyclohexyl substituted by mono- or di- hydroxy,

R^{41} and R^{42} may form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 or 6 membered saturated heterocyclic ring;

R^{43} represents hydrogen or C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy,

R^{44} represents C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or carboxy,

with the proviso that when R^{41} and R^{42} form, together with adjacent N atom, a 5 or 6 membered saturated heterocyclic ring, R^{44} is hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl or carboxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{45}, R^{47}, R^{49} and R^{50} independently represent hydrogen, methyl or ethyl;

R^{46} and R^{48} independently represent C_{1-6} alkylene optionally substituted hydroxy or carboxy;

R^{51} represents hydrogen, cyclopentyl, ethyl or methyl;

R^{52} represents methoxycarbonyl or C_{1-6}alkyl substituted by carboxy, amino, methoxycarbonyl, methanesulfonylamino, acetamido, indolyl, tetrazolyl, 1,2,3-triazolyl, 1,2,4-triazolyl, 1,2,5-triazolyl, 1,3,4-triazolyl,

pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-3-yl, 4-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-6-yl, 2,5-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, or 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-3-yl;

R^{61} and R^{62} independently represents benzyl or phenethyl;

R^{72} represents hydrogen, carboxy, C_{1-6} alkanoyl, amino, (C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, di(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino, N-(C_{1-6}alkyl)amino carbonyl, C_{1-6} alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, carboxy, or mono-, di- or tri- halogen, C_{1-6} alkoxy optionally substituted by mono-, di- or tri- halogen, pyrrolidinyl or piperidinyl, wherein said pyrrolidinyl and piperidinyl are optionally substituted by mono- or di- oxo;

R^{81} represents hydrogen, methoxycarbonyl or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted by 2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2,5- dioxo pyrrolidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-3-yl, 4-oxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2-oxo-piperidin-6-yl, 2,5-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-1-yl, or 2,6-dioxo-piperidin-3-yl;

R^{82} represents hydrogen, hydroxy or hydroxy substituted C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{83} represents hydrogen, hydroxy or carboxy;

with the proviso that when R^{82} and R^{83} are hydrogen at the same time, R^{81} is other than hydrogen, or when R^{81} and R^{83} are hydrogen at the same time, R^{82} is other than hydrogen;

R^{91} represents benzyl or phenethyl.

(5) (Currently Amended) The benzenesulfonamide derivative, its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof as claimed in claim 1 ~~to 4~~, wherein said benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula is selected from the group consisting of:

3-(1-Benzyl-hexahydro-pyrrolo[3,4-b]pyrrole-5-sulfonyl)-4-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzonitrile;

N-{4-[5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-piperazin-2-ylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-piperazin-2-ylmethyl}-acetamide;

N-{1-[5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-piperazin-2-ylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{1-[5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-piperazin-2-ylmethyl}-acetamide;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-[(3R)-(2-hydroxy-ethylamino)-pyrrolidine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

3-(2-Aminomethyl-piperazine-1-sulfonyl)-4-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzonitrile dihydrochloride;

1-[5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-[1,4]diazepane-2-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-[3(S)-(1H-indol-3-ylmethyl)-piperazine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-[2(S)-(1H-indol-3-ylmethyl)-piperazine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-[2-(2,5-dioxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)-piperazine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

N-{1-[5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonyl]-[1,4]diazepan-2-ylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;

1-[4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-(piperazine-1-sulfonyl)-phenyl]-ethanone;

(R)-N-(1-Aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-3-yl)-5-cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonamide;

(S)-N-(1-Aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-3-yl)-5-cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-benzenesulfonamide;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-{4-[(2S)-(1-hydroxy-1-methyl-ethyl)-pyrrolidin-1-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonyl}-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-(3-tetrazol-2-ylmethyl-piperazine-1-sulfonyl)-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-(3-[1,2,4]triazol-1-ylmethyl-piperazine-1-sulfonyl)-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-(2-[1,2,4]triazol-1-ylmethyl-piperazine-1-sulfonyl)-benzonitrile;

5-Cyano-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenoxy)-N-(2-dimethylamino-ethyl)-N-[2-(2,5-dioxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)-ethyl]-benzenesulfonamide;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-[3-(2,5-dioxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)-piperazine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-[3-(2,5-dioxo-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)-4-pyrrolidin-1-yl-piperidine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-{4-[(2S)-hydroxymethyl-pyrrolidin-1-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonyl}-benzonitrile;

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-{(2S)-[(2S)-hydroxymethyl-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl]-pyrrolidine-1-sulfonyl}-benzonitrile;

N-(1-aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-3-yl)-2-(3,5-dichloro-phenylsulfanyl)-5-nitro-benzenesulfonamide;

and

4-(3,5-Dichloro-phenoxy)-3-(piperidine-4-sulfonyl)-benzonitrile.

(6) (Currently Amended) A ~~medicament~~ pharmaceutical composition comprising the benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula (I), its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof as claimed in claim 1 as an active ingredient.

(7) (Currently Amended) The ~~medicament~~ pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 6, further comprising one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

(8) (Currently Amended) The ~~medicament~~ pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 6, wherein said benzenesulfonamide derivative of the formula (I), its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof is a CCR3 antagonist.

(9) (Currently Amended) The ~~medicament~~ pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 6 suitable for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of an inflammatory disorder or disease.

(10) (Currently Amended) The ~~medicament~~ pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, wherein said inflammatory disorder or disease is selected from the group consisting of asthma, rhinitis, allergic diseases, and autoimmune pathologies.

(11) (Currently Amended) The ~~medicament~~ pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 6 suitable for the treatment or prevention of a disease selected from the group consisting of HIV, lung granuloma, and Alzheimer's diseases.

(12) (Currently Amended) ~~Use of the benzenesulfonamide derivative, its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof as claimed in claim 1 to 5 in the preparation of a medicament for treating or preventing a CCR3 related disorder or disease.~~ A method of treating or preventing a CCR3 related disorder or disease by which comprises administering a compound of claim 1 or its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof.

(13) (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~ method of claim 12, wherein said disorder or disease is an inflammatory or immunoregulatory disorder or disease.

(14) (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~ method of claim 12, wherein said disorder or disease is selected from the group consisting of asthma, rhinitis, allergic diseases, and autoimmune pathologies.

(15) (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~ method of claim 12, wherein said disorder or disease is selected from the group consisting of HIV, lung granuloma, and Alzheimer's diseases.

(16) (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~ method of claim 12, wherein said benzenesulfonamide derivative, its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof is formulated with one or more pharmaceutically acceptable excipients.

(17) (Currently Amended) A method of ~~Process for~~ controlling an inflammatory or immunoregulatory disorder or disease in humans and animals ~~by~~ which comprises administration of a CCR3-antagonisticly effective amount of at least one compound according to claim 1 ~~to 5~~.

(18) (New) A method of treating or preventing a CCR3 related disorder or disease by which comprises administering a compound of claim 3 or its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof.

(19) (New) A method of treating or preventing a CCR3 related disorder or disease by which comprises administering a compound of claim 4 or its tautomeric or stereoisomeric form, or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof.